

# The Northfield Press

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## "Messiah" Rendition Last Sunday afternoon Pleased Large Audience

Easter Sunday afternoon, Handel's "Messiah" was rendered in Sage Memorial Chapel by the members of the choir and orchestra of the two schools, the Seminary and Mt. Hermon, under the direction of Melvin L. Gallagher. The chapel was completely filled at five o'clock when the service began. A half hour was broadcast by WHAI. The program celebrated the bicentenary of the famous oratorio. It was written in 1741 and first produced in April 1742. Printed programs were distributed to all in attendance and the audience were able to follow closely the various selections and themes. In reverential mood was the entire rendition received. The soloists were Claire McLamore, soprano; Mary MacLeod, Barbara Nicholls and Camilla Rikert, contraltos; Robert Kirk, tenor and Robert Darrone, baritone. The orchestra was conducted by Paul S. Ivory and the organ accompaniment was by Miss Marian Kellier. Next Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock the rendition will be repeated at Mt. Hermon Memorial Chapel with Carlton W. L'Hommedieu at the organ. The public are cordially invited to attend the service.

## District Educators Plan Important Session

The annual meeting of the school committees and teachers of Superintendency District 23, comprising Bernardston, Gill, Leyden, Northfield and Warwick will be held at the Bernardston Inn on Monday evening, April 28. The committees will meet for the business meeting at 4 and the banquet will be at 6.

Important business relative to the district will be considered and officers of the district committee will be elected. At present Harry A. Erickson of Gill is chairman and Mrs. Dorothy L. Miller of Northfield is secretary.

Rev. Lester P. White of Cutchogue, L. I., formerly of the faculty at Mt. Hermon and well known in this district, will be the speaker at the banquet, taking for his subject, "Dandelions in the Lawn."

## Womens Alliance Elects

The Womens Alliance of the Unitarian church, which held its annual meeting last week Thursday and to which we referred in last week's Press has announced the result of the election which is as follows:

Mrs. Carroll E. Rich, president; Mrs. John V. McNeil, vice-president; Mrs. Frank W. Williams, treasurer; Mrs. Oler Doolittle, recording secretary; Mrs. Charles Webster, recording secretary; program committee, Mrs. Carroll Rich E. chairman, Mrs. Robert McClellan, Mrs. Richard Cobb and Mrs. Raymond Palmer; sewing committee, Mrs. George N. Kidder, chairman, with Mrs. Frank W. Williams in charge of fancy work, Mrs. Linville W. Robbins, Mrs. William Barr and Mrs. Edward W. Morgan; social service committee, Mrs. John V. McNeil, chairman, Mrs. Joseph W. Field, Mrs. George N. Kidder, Mrs. William Barr and Mrs. Thomas Parker; flowers Mrs. George N. Kidder, chairman, Mrs. Charles Webster and Mrs. Mary Holton.

## Meet Senator Lodge

As we have already announced, Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., will be the speaker at the annual luncheon meeting of the Franklin County Womens Republican club at the Weldon hotel, Sturbridge (tomorrow) at 12 o'clock. Women as well as men, are invited to attend the gathering and to greet the Senator. Several from this town have made reservations for the luncheon and expect to attend. After the address which follows the luncheon, the women will hold their business meeting. Reports will be rendered, plans for the future considered, and officers chosen for the coming year.

## Many Use Cards

We have been pleased to note the fine response to the story in last week's Press on the Sacred concert, to be broadcast from the Northfield schools over the red network of the National Broadcasting Co., on May 11 from 8:30 to 4. We have had many requests for the free mailing cards to send to out-of-town friends announcing the broadcast. As previously stated, these cards are now available at the Northfield Pharmacy, the Northfield hotel, the Bookstore, and at Kenarden hall and Holbrook hall at Mt. Hermon.

## Athletic Association Organize For Season Dr. Wright President

At their annual business meeting held last Friday evening at the town hall, the Northfield Athletic Association, elected their officers for the coming season. Dr. A. H. Wright was chosen president, Harland Atwood, vice-president, Henry A. Johnson, secretary and treasurer, John Hurley, manager of the baseball team and Buddy French booking agent. Trustees chosen include Myron Dunnell, Harry Gingras, Frank Montague, Philip Porter, Lawrence Lazelle, Frank Kendrick, Ross L. Spencer, James E. Dresser and Horace Bolton. The team which will soon be selected after tryout play, will be completely equipped with new uniforms, provided by local business men, consisting of Morgan Garage, Northfield Pharmacy, Tenney Farms, Inc., Dunnell Fuel Oil, Spencer Bros. Garage, IGA Store, Averys Store the Coffee Shop, Jordan Motor Sales, Buffums Texaco Service, G. N. Kidder, Ripley Bros., Northfield Washed Sand & Gravel Co., W. D. Miller and Charles L. Johnson. Membership tickets in the association will be solicited by the high school students, who will receive the old suits of last year's team, after they have been cleaned and renovated. It looks as if this community will witness plenty of baseball games during the summer.

## County Hermon Club To Gather At Hermon

The Franklin county-Hermon club will hold a dinner at West hall, Mt. Hermon at 6:30 next Wednesday. The guest speaker will be Prof. Horace H. Morse, head of the history department at Mt. Hermon. The new 1941 edition of Hermon movies will be shown by the alumni secretary, Frank E. Dunn. Orville Mirtz, secretary of the club, is in charge of reservations.

Over 360 alumni living in Franklin county are expected to attend the dinner. Officers of the club are: R. Willard Beebe of Brattleboro, president; Richard G. Holton of East Northfield, vice-president; and Orville Mirtz of Mt. Hermon, secretary. The executive committee is composed of Merritt Skilton, Carroll Rikert, Ernest Dunklee, Ralph Churchill, George Barry, Charles Demond, Robert Farmer John Blackmer and Louis May.

## The 1000th Bushel

From his orange groves in Orlando, Fla., Spurgeon Gage has just sent his one thousandth bushel of delicious oranges to Harold F. Bigelow of the East Northfield post office. The basket was gayly decorated and it contained fifty-five pounds of Valencia oranges. One thousand bushels means that Mr. Gage has shipped to northern points over 27 tons of fruit and that means quite a business for our fellow townsmen, who now divides his time between his home on Winchster road here and his residence in Orlando. Mr. Bigelow's basket contained a basket of orange blossoms.

## No More Fire Permits

Forest Fire Warden Charles L. Johnson of this town, has been notified that all fires are banned in the state, effective April 16 to and inclusive of June 7. No permits can be issued, except upon rainy days, when the location is approved by the Warden. Public notice is being given to the restriction and the warden is charged with its enforcement. A heavy penalty is provided for any one who violates the order.

## Young People's Forum

Rev. Raymond H. Palmer, pastor of the Unitarian church, will address the Young People's Forum Sunday evening at 7:45 in the Congregational church. A social hour will follow.

Sunday evening, April 27 the Forum announces that Dorie Alavian, director of music at Mass. State college, will present a program of vocal selections.

## Fortnightly Today

The final meeting of the season of the Fortnightly will be held today (Friday) at 8 o'clock at Alexander hall. The session will also be the annual meeting at which time reports will be rendered and officers chosen. The program will be the presentation of a skit, prepared by Mrs. William Shatnick with the characters taken by the club members. A food sale will be held after the meeting.

## Final Arrangements Valley Symphony At Auditorium, Saturday, April 26th Large Audience Expected To Attend

The Pioneer Valley Symphony will give its fifth concert of the season under the sponsorship of the Northfield schools at the auditorium on Saturday evening, April 26th at 8 p. m.

Under the baton of conductor Harold Alexander Leslie, this group of more than 75 musicians from all parts of western Massachusetts will present a well-balanced program of symphonic music. They will open with the "Hebrides" Overture by Mendelssohn followed by the popular Hayden "Symphony No. 2 ('London') in D Major." The second part of the concert will consist of Humpertinck's "Evening Prayer and Dream Pantomime" from "Hansel and Gretel" and the "New World" Symphony by Dvorak (Symphony No. 9 in E Minor).

The orchestra has had an extremely successful season to date, giving a series of three concerts in Greenfield and one last month in Brattleboro. Both the Greenfield and Brattleboro concerts were played to near capacity audiences who expressed great enthusiasm at the high standard of the music.

The Pioneer Valley Symphony was formed during the spring of 1938 through the efforts of Mr. Leslie who scoured this part of New England to find top-notch musicians desirous of forming such a group. A successful series of three concerts in Greenfield and one at Northfield was given last year with the orchestra showing a marked improvement. The success of these concerts attracted additional members and the group now numbers more than 75 players. Some of them from as far west as Albany, and from as far south as Springfield and Westfield and from as far north as Keene and Brattleboro and from as far

east as Worcester. A few of the members make music their vocation as teachers, but the large majority of the Pioneer Valley Symphony is composed of doctors, dentists, business men, farmers, housewives, artists etc. There is a sculptor, a violin maker, an electrician, and a barber in the orchestra. There are government workers and refugees from Germany and England.

Because of the long distance that many of the members have to travel to rehearsals and because of the limited amount of time which some of the members can give, it is rarely possible for all of the sections of the orchestra to be fully represented at a rehearsal. This is a problem but one that has failed to daunt the enthusiasm or the progress of the group as a whole.

Mr. Leslie believes that the origin and development of this troupe is significant of a nationwide trend. He points to other sections of the country where similar groups have formed or are forming. Through his associations at the music festival last summer at Stockbridge, he has been able to keep in touch with other groups and to exchange ideas from time to time.

Back of the symphony itself is a large group of music lovers and civic-minded business men up and down the valley. They have formed the Pioneer Valley Symphony as a social organization and have assumed many of the financial problems involved in putting on these concerts. R. Stanley Reid of Greenfield is president of the association and shares with Mr. Leslie much of the credit for the growth and success of the symphony this past year. Be sure to hear the symphony at the auditorium on Saturday evening, April 26. Tickets may be reserved at the Northfield hotel, telephone 44.

## Enjoyed Fine Dinner

More than 200 attended the annual banquet of the Northfield Fish & Game association in the town hall Monday evening. An unusually fine dinner, prepared by the Northfield hotel was served. Guests were present from many of the surrounding towns. Following the dinner, dancing was enjoyed and seventy-five door prizes were awarded.

James E. Dresser, president of the association with an efficient committee was in charge of the successful affair.

## Trout Season Opened

The brooks and ponds throughout the state were crowded with fishermen on Tuesday, when the season opened. The banks of many streams was a mecca for those with the rod and line. About Northfield, Warwick brook seemed to be the most inviting as it had been recently stocked with many hundreds of trout. Local fishermen are wearing smiling faces and are ready with their fishing stories.

## Boy Scout News

The Boy Scouts met Monday evening with the Scoutmaster, Walter Harding in charge. Games were played and tests taken. Carroll Rich passed the compass and the knife and hatchet tests. Richard Huber passed the knife and hatchet test. Details of the troop contest were announced by leader Carlton Finch. A troop hike was announced for the school vacation week.

## We-Will-Win

Among American visitors to England, three of the most distinguished are Welles, Willkie and Winant. An ingenious observer has suggested that there is a symbolic connotation in the first syllables of their names:

First: WELLES  
Next: WILLKIE  
Then: WINANT

Northfield Grange will hold a regular meeting next Tuesday evening. There will be a radio interview act, with some of the members taking the parts of radio stars. The third and fourth degrees have been postponed to May 13.

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## "Messiah" Repeated On Sunday Afternoon Mount Hermon Chapel

Next Sunday at 5 o'clock, Handel's "Messiah" will be repeated at Mt. Hermon Memorial Chapel and the same singers from both Hermon and the Seminary will take part in the presentation. Melvin L. Gallagher will again direct the presentation, assisted by the orchestra led by Paul S. Ivory and with Carlton L'Hommedieu presiding at the organ. The program will be in two parts and the divisions the same as last Sunday in the presentation at Sage Chapel. Hermon Chapel will probably be filled with a capacity audience as very much interest exists in the oratorio and the magnificent manner in which it was offered last Sunday wins again its favor for a rehearing. The service is reverential in every respect.

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## Services For Sunday At Hermon-Seminary

On Sunday Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson president of Howard University since 1926, will preach at the morning service at Mt. Hermon Memorial Chapel at 10:30. Dr. Johnson will also address the student assembly on Saturday at 5 o'clock the choir and orchestra of Hermon and the Seminary will present Handel's "Messiah" in the chapel.

Rev. W. Burnet Easton will conduct the worship service at 11 a. m. in Sage Chapel at the Seminary. Mr. Easton was formerly a member of the Bible department at Hermon and is at present Acting Chaplain of Smith College. Rev. Frank E. Dunn of Mt. Hermon will preach at the vesper service at 5 p. m.

## The Winchester Bank Improves For Safety

The Winchester Bank which boasts of a large number of depositors from Northfield, has recently installed many new fixtures and improved its interior appearance by the addition of safety devices. The safety features includes the use of bullet proof glass and electric wiring and a complete separation of the employed force from the depositors area. The vault is also controlled by time arrangement and is self operating. Visitors who have recently visited the bank have been pleased with the new arrangement and have not failed to congratulate the management.

The bank staff includes James S. Kellom, cashier; Frank P. Kellom, assistant cashier; Mrs. Dorothy G. Walker, Mrs. Lessie P. Felch and Arnold Conway.

## Christian Endeavor Holds Rally Saturday

The 43rd annual spring rally of the Franklin County Christian Endeavor Union will be held at the Goodale Memorial church in Bernardston on Saturday and a delegation from the local society will attend. The rally will open at 2:30 and after the business session at which officers will be chosen, supper will be served and an evening session held. Gilbert Allis of Whately is president of the Union. There will be several guest speakers and an interesting program has been arranged.

## Congregational Church

On Sunday the church will meet at 10. Morning service at 11 with Rev. E. Bruce Price of Fitchburg as the preacher. Christian Endeavor at 6:45. Young People's Forum at 7:45.

Tuesday the Bible class meets with Mrs. Colton.

Thursday at 7:15, prayer meeting will be led by Rev. Dr. George A. Bronson.

Friday at 7:30, Evening Auxiliary meets with Mrs. Bernard Whitney. The book, "Dangerous Opportunity" will be reviewed by various members.

Monday evening, April 28 there will be an important business meeting of the church in the vestry.

## Saw Mill Burns

The saw mill plant of Tenney and Smead at Vernon was burned to the ground about 5 o'clock Thursday morning. Practically everything was destroyed including the large amount of lumber on hand. Fire apparatus from Brattleboro was summoned. The loss of the mill throws out many who were employed there from this vicinity.

## Fathers, Sons Dine And Enjoy Magician At Brotherhood Event

The annual Father-and-Son meeting of the Northfield Brotherhood was held Tuesday evening in the vestry of the Congregational church with 25 sons and 25 fathers in attendance. After the supper the program began with the singing of songs under the direction of Irving J. Lawrence.

The Rev. Mr. Smith of East Jaffrey, N. H., presented a program of magician's tricks for the benefit of all who saw him. He caused a variety of things to appear and disappear without warning. One boy was surprised to discover that he had a pocketful of frankfurts, another a baby's bottle, and a third had reams of papers pulled out of his back. The climax came when four white mice suddenly appeared from a burning dish. These mice were presented to the boys, who will long remember the events of the evening.

President Daniel Bodley announced a nominating committee for the officers to be elected next month. This committee is made up of Fred Holton, Harry Holton, and Richard Holton. The supper was served under the direction of George Carr, assisted by H. H. Morse, Wally Langille, Bert Newton, W. D. Miller and Harry Holton.

## Preached The Truth Before Hermon Students

The United States Navy is eager to convoy American merchant ships to Britain, according to Harrison Lakin, formerly of the consular and diplomatic service, who addressed the assembly of Mt. Hermon school last Saturday. He added that he gained this information from sources close to the navy in Washington, and that it was his opinion that, if the situation grew steadily worse, convoy should be done.

In his talk Mr. Lakin pointed out that the creator of the so-called New Order had, so far, created nothing but disorder. Fascism in Italy, aggression by Japan, revolution in Russia, and conquest in Europe have all produced nothing that is new nor better.

The speaker stated that the United States has decided to build up its defense because, from events abroad, it seems that it is no longer possible to remain on the sidelines. Nation after nation has been forced, against its will, either fight for its life or submit to superior force. Hitler demands that a country be either for him or against him. Consequently, this country is arming feverishly. And, while it is arming, it is giving all aid to Britain and to China.

When Hitler decided that he would have to postpone his invasion of England, he began to work on the various parts of the British Empire. Hence Hitler is busy in the Balkans, where he hopes to reach Suez. Mr. Lakin said that he thought it would be a miracle if the Allies can hold out long against Germany in the Balkans. However, the prospect of invasion of England is quite unlikely anyway.

## A. Y. H. Training Course Held This Summer

The American Youth Hostels, Inc., will conduct a two-month training course at the national headquarters here during July and August. This course is open to all interested in youth hostel work. Muriel Dawkins, Ph. D., principal of the AYH school in Meredith, N. H., will be principal of the course. She will be assisted by six members of the national staff.

Mornings will be devoted to classroom discussion and study and afternoons, to practical experience in various departments of the national office. Evenings will be devoted to recreation. There will be hosting week-ends as well as the last week of the training course.

For sometime we have been extending aid to valiant Greece, where in excess of \$2,000,000 in supplies and cash has been made available for relief. Through the generosity of the American people and by reason of additional supplies made available for distribution by us through a congressional appropriation, we have been able to move swiftly in both instances."

Citizens of Northfield who may wish to make contributions for either Greek or Yugoslav relief may send their contributions to the Red Cross chapter office, Bank Row, Greenfield.

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Phillips Pork and Beans	3 No. 2½ cans 25c
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Valley Prime Peas	tall can 11c
Mothers Flour (Quaker)	24½-lb sack 85c
Swifts Shortening (Jewell)	3-lb can 39c
Baxters G. B. Corn	No. 2 can 10c
Phillips Tomato Juice	47-oz can 14½c
Cut Stringless Green Beans	3 No. 2 cans 25c
Sunshine Diced Carrots	3 No. 2 cans 22c
Boston Mustard	qt jar 10c
Pine Cone Tomato Catsup	3 14-oz bottles 25c
Campfire Marshmallows	1-lb pkg 19c
Cracker Jack pkg 1c	Both for 20c
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## TOWN TOPICS

The Federal grand jury in Boston on Wednesday returned an indictment charging Lyle W. Amaden, former postmaster of So. Vernon with embezzlement of government funds of \$1223.

The tax rate for Charlemont has been fixed at \$33, which is \$4 more than last year. The Gill rate is down \$6.50 from last year to \$16.

There was no assembly at Center school, owing to the rehearsals for the concert at the town hall. The assembly today will be in charge of June Cota of the eighth grade.

High school students have realized the sum of \$50.50 for the Athletic association in the work of enrolling members.

Members of the Young Peoples Forum will offer a skit "Friday Afternoon at the Village School" at the Sample Fair of the Women's Sewing society of the Congregational church which will be held at the town hall on April 30.

Mrs. Lelia M. Allen who has spent the winter in Greenfield at the Mansion House, is re-opening her home here on Main street.

President Park will be the principal speaker at the Hart-Hermon club dinner to be held in the dining hall of Trinity college Saturday night.

Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Dean have returned from a most interesting and enjoyable vacation spent on a motor tour to New Mexico.

The local bowling team are putting up some good games and winning. They have a firm hold on first place in the County league.

On Tuesday next the Philadelphia Hermon-Northfield clubs will hold their annual outing at the York Road club, Jenkin, Pa. Festivities will start in the afternoon and dinner will be at 7. The guest of honor will be President Park of the schools.

Dr. David R. Porter was the principal speaker at the New Haven Hermon club dinner held at the Graduate club in New Haven Wednesday evening.

Frank E. Dunn, secretary of the Williston alumni association will travel to Bridgeport, New Haven and Hartford this week for alumni dinners to be held in those cities.

Rev. William E. Park, will speak at vespers service on Sunday, in John M. Greene hall at Smith college.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Leach and children of New Britain, Ct., were week-end guests at his parents', Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Leach of Northfield Farms.

Many of our citizens have been frequent visitors at Packard Pond and picnics of local groups have been held there. Last week a disastrous fire visited the resort and three cottages were totally destroyed. The fire departments of Athol and Orange sent apparatus there to fight the flames.

Complete details are being arranged for the "Githerin" service in the town hall Tuesday evening, May 6 at 8 o'clock. Rev. Fred MacArthur of Ludlow will be the speaker and Rev. B. F. White of South Vernon will assist. There will be plenty of music.

Mrs. Stanton Yeager of Tufts college has been a visitor at the home of Mrs. William R. Moody this week. She returned to her home on Wednesday.

Mrs. E. M. Powell and "twins" who has been with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Fitt during the Easter vacation, returned to her home at Lewiston, Me., today. Mrs. Fitt accompanied them for a visit there.

## Royal Air Force

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They move with the morn from the glowing East  
Or rise from the West with stars:  
They ride to the lure of the changing moon

Toward far horizon bars:  
They pass the meadows of cool, deep clouds

That crown the sunset breeze,  
To sweep like eagles, homeward bound,

Above the English seas.

Some have gone on the journey long

To the Haven of Valiant Souls,  
To meet their own triumphant throng

Where the heavenly seafare rolls:  
Unchanged by the moment of wreck or fall

Still loftier flights they know  
Till they circle the land

On the shining strand  
Where the faduous poppies grow.

Here or there they are Lords of Space;

In joy they mount and fly;  
Knights of the Order of Power and Grace.

They master the flaming sky.  
Victors for God, they take their flight,

Born of the Spirit, free:

The Empire's sons, in high delight

On the wings of victory.

—Owen R. Waaburn

Gulford.

## West Northfield and South Vernon

The Junior Mission society will meet Saturday at 2 at the parsonage. Mrs. Florence White will be the speaker Sunday morning at 10:30, taking as her subject, "Rising Above Circumstances."

The Sunday school will meet at 11:45. The Loyal Workers will have charge of the evening service at 7:30. Prof. Horace H. Morse, of Mt. Hermon, will speak on "The English Versions of the Bible." The Young Peoples society of the Vernon Union church will attend this service and assist in the program.

The weekly prayer meeting will be held at the Vernon Home at 7 Thursday evening.

The Junior Choir, toy symphony and tootie band has been discontinued until the summer vacation.

Emmet Stewart of Manchester, N. H. was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rich.

Carroll Rich is doing construction work on the officers' quarters at Westover Field, Chicopee.

Miss Eleanor Kremen, who is teaching in Framingham, spent the weekend with Miss Grace Randall.

A son was born March 25 at the Brattleboro Memorial hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Leon Powers, grandson to Mr. and Mrs. J. Alfred Johnson.

Mrs. Hattie Clark of East Northfield has been spending part of her vacation with her daughter, Mrs. Calvin Alexander of the West road.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Sherwin have returned from New York state to live at the home of his mother, Mrs. Lee D. Hall, and engage in poultry-raising.

Laurie Harris, Jr., of Colby college is at his home for the spring vacation.

Miss Elva Martineau and James and Lois Billings spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Martineau.

Mrs. Wesley N. Dunklee left Wednesday morning, with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Bardwell, for an indefinite stay at their home in Trafford, Pa.

Mrs. Frank Lackey has returned from Brattleboro to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Warren Dunklee.

Miss Alma Dunklee, who has been living at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Vaughan in Brattleboro, has returned home.

Mrs. S. J. Martineau went to Springfield Tuesday to see her brother Harold Burnham of Greenfield, who is very ill in a hospital.

Carl Brooks of Swanzey, N. H. has returned to work for A. A. Dunklee & Sons. He's staying with his sister, Mrs. Jesse Johnson.

Mrs. Crawford Pease and two children was a visitor in town Sunday. She was formerly Miss Violet Gerrish of West Northfield.

Miss Ethel Miller of Brattleboro, Vt. spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Miller.

The combined 4-H clubs of Vernon will have a program at the regular meeting of Vernon Grange next Wednesday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Simonds of the Vernon home observed their 25th wedding anniversary, April 3.

John Wozniak, Jr., of Ft. Warren visited his parents last weekend.

Miss Steffie Wozniak has returned from a 10-days' vacation with her sister, Jeanine, in New York City.

Miss Lucille Bolton has returned to her studies at Green Mountain Junior college, after spending her vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. I. Bolton.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Underwood have gone to Revere beach, where Mr. Underwood has resumed work on a power project.

Mrs. Anna Woodard has gone from the Vernon home to the home of Miss Maria Beers.

Ernest W. Dundee, state senator from Windham county, and Benjamin A. Street, town representative from Vernon, have finished their legislative duties in Montpelier, Vt., and returned to their homes here.

The Vernon Union P.T.A. will sponsor an entertainment at the Vernon town hall Friday evening. Three one-act plays will be presented.

The Henry Russell place has been sold to Murry Hammond of Northfield Farms and Herman Streeter of Bernardston.

No outdoor fires are allowed in Vernon, unless they are built in a covered container, with a permit from the fire warden, H. E. Lane.

Vernon Grange was host to the Grange of West Dummerston and Wilmington, Vt., and Bernardston at neighbors' night Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hale and family have moved from John Wozniak's house to Hollbrook cottage on Rustic Ridge.

Frederick Peiser, son of Dr. and Mrs. A. P. Peiser of Wickford, R. I. was spending a few days vacation with his aunt, Miss Bertha Martindale near Mt. Hermon.

—Owen R. Waaburn

Gulford.

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Liza: How come, Sam?

Sam: You are so sweet and un-

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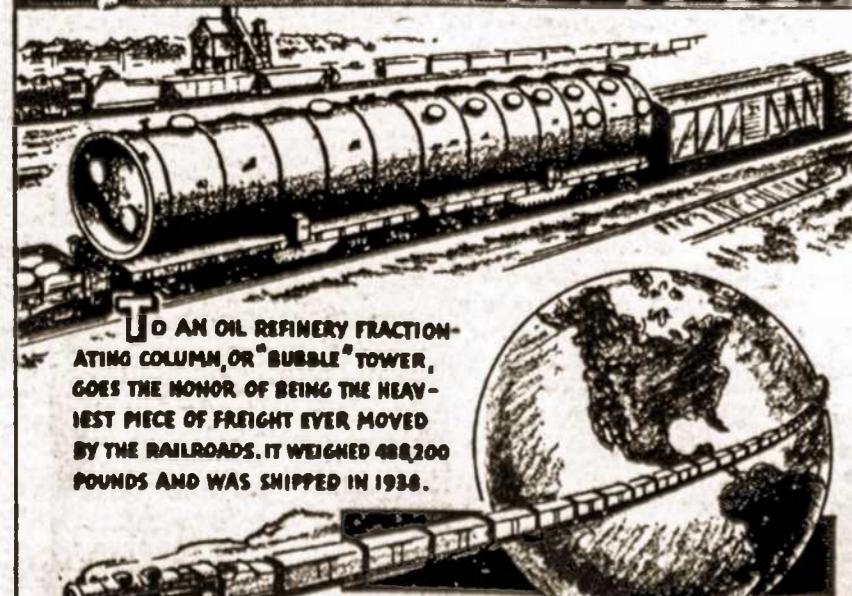
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Since 1928, the railroads have put in service 1,147,000 new freight cars and 17,000 new locomotives. Coupled together, they would make a train nearly 10,000 miles long.

The first railroad bridge across the Mississippi River was opened in 1865 at Davenport, Iowa. The 1,622-foot structure was hailed as the mechanical wonder of the West.

#### One Who Dared Not Love

Goodbye, I cannot call you less than friend,  
And yet, how could I call you more?  
The time has come that brings us to the end  
And leaves us there as lonely as before,  
And we have said goodbye in even tones—  
Goodbye! what was there else for us to say?  
And both go on o'er life's great stepping-stones  
And neither murmurs at the separate way.

You have been kind to me; I shall recall  
Your kindness with sincerest gratefulness  
And I have been—your friend, and that was all!  
Was all, what would we more or less?  
And yet, now we are parting—better so,  
I would not that an hour to us be spared—  
There is one thing that I wish that you might know;  
'Tis this, I could have loved you had I dared.

You smile, perhaps; yet if you knew the power  
Of some heart's loving—if you knew, I say,  
You'd understand me clearly, when I say this hour,  
"If I had dared!"—but there, go on your way.

The mysteries of life are complex, friend,  
And hearts are riddles strangely hard to read;  
The human and divine so strangely blend.  
And love is made subservient to life's need.

—Author Unknown

Dumb: How is the second-hand car you bought?

Bell: I've just realized how hard it is to drive a bargain.

John: A case of love at first sight, I suppose?

Jack: No—second sight. The first time he saw her he didn't know she was an heiress.

—Author Unknown

1st Tenant: What is Indian Summer?

2nd Ditto: It's an excuse for not sending up any heat.

—Author Unknown

Jones: No, he picked it up trying to listen to his wife and the radio at the same time.

—Author Unknown

The easier the car is on the eyes, the harder it is on the pocketbook.

—Author Unknown

Wife: Did you take care of the dry-cleaning bill, John?

Husband: Certainly. I paid spot cash.

## TOWN TOPICS

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lee H. Sheldon of Birnam road at the Franklin county hospital last Thursday, April 10.

Rev. Edward Fairbank of Main street, delivered an address at last weeks meeting of the Mens club of the Federated church of Winchester. He spoke of his missionary work of many years in India.

With the coming of pleasant weather, applicants for summer cottages are appearing to look over properties.

"The Weekly Bugler" that smart little periodical edited by Goddard Winterbottom and his staff appeared in a new dress last week. Its good looking and reflects a condition of prosperity.

By proclamation of the Governor, Arbor and Bird day will be observed in this state on Saturday, April 26.

Mrs. Flora B. Buffum of Main street, who has spent the winter in Orlando, Fla., is returning to her home here this week.

Miss Bernice Webster of New York spent the Easter vacation with her mother, Mrs. C. H. Webster and sister Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed at their home here.

Mrs. C. E. Dickerson, who has spent the winter at the Hotel Normandie in Philadelphia has returned to her home in Oldwick, N. J.

Mrs. Vincent Sullivan and children of Bolton are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Leach of Northfield Farms.

Charles Auclair of this town has been listed as a replacement by the Montague draft board.

Rev. Mary Andrews Conner, who has spent the winter at Winter Park, Fla., expects soon to leave to visit her relatives in Ohio before returning to Northfield for the summer stay.

Miss Jennie Haight, formerly of this town, who has been enjoying a stay in New Orleans, is taking a leisurely journey to her home in Springfield.

The next meeting of the Womens Alliance of the Unitarian church will be held on Tuesday, May 6 instead of the 8th as scheduled. Mrs. Frank W. Williams will be the hostess and Rev. Raymond H. Palmer will speak.

Mrs. C. C. Stockbridge of Highland avenue has left Dade City, Fla., where she has spent the winter, for Springfield, to make a stay with her daughter there before returning home.

We don't know how many, but most of our young men now in the army service were at their homes during the Easter furlough. We note Grove W. Deming, Jr. from Camp Dix, Joseph Cembalisty from Ft. Banks Joseph Smolen from Camp Devens, John Wozniak from Ft. Warren.

Students and faculty of Amherst college recently provided funds for the purchase and outfitting of an ambulance for England. This ambulance was shipped last week with others, according to information received by friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh D. Maydole of Princeton, N. J. have been spending some time at Atlantic City for the benefit of Mrs. Maydole's health, who has not been very well this winter. They expect to come to their summer home here as soon as possible.

Workers in the campaign to raise funds for the support of the Boy Scouts in the Franklin county towns, were in session at Montague City library Monday evening to inaugurate the effort. The Franklin County Foreign Policy association which boasts of a large number of members from Northfield and Mt. Hermon, will hold its next meeting at the Weldon hotel in Greenfield Friday April 25 when the second annual town meeting of its problems are considered in the form of articles in a warrant. The meeting should prove educational and interesting.

E. J. Calvaca of Brooklyn, N. Y. and frequent sojourner in this town, spent the Easter holiday here.

It is said that the Northfield hotel served about 250 guests last Sunday noon with one of its most excellent dinners. Many guests of the hotel came here on the Easter day to visit their daughters and sons at the schools, and also to hear the rendition of "Messiah" at Sage chapel.

Henry Lyman of Maple street, who went to Springfield for the winter months has arrived at his home to spend the summer here.

A Chevrolet sedan with New York number plates, ran afoul of four concrete posts on the Winchester Route 10 opposite the entrance to the Askren property last Friday afternoon. The driver failed to pay attention to his wheel and striking a post, still veered until he landed in the four foot ditch, from which the car was pulled out by a crew from a local garage. The car was badly damaged.

Many local church goers attended the special Easter services in the churches of Greenfield last Sunday morning.

Mrs. A. F. Bennett of Northfield Farms, who has spent the winter in New York and at Dover, N. J. is expected to return to her home this week.

The annual meeting of the Ladies Benevolent society of Northfield Farms will be held at the library, Wednesday, May 7.

The inventory of the estate of the late Lydia R. Speakman has been filed in probate court. The appraisal was made by George McEwan and shows \$6,334 personal and \$4000 real estate.

Miss Eleanor L. Davis of the faculty of the Seminary, addressed the members of the County Business and Professional Womens club in Greenfield on Tuesday. Her subject was "Our Relations With Latin America."

Chester W. Reed, 80, of Bernardston was found dead in the woods off Bald Mountain Wednesday afternoon. His death was declared to be a suicide and a gun was found beside him.

Lyle W. Amaden of West Northfield and Mrs. Mary Louise (Mount) Mann of Brattleboro were married in Vernon last Saturday.

Mt. Hermon school and the Seminary have each been bequeathed the sum of \$500 in the will of the late Miss Winnie B. Learned of Williston, Vt., filed in probate court at Burlington, Vt., this week.

Miss Madeline Alberta Klinker of So. Deerfield and John R. Zabko of Northfield Farms will be married in St. Stanislaus church at So. Deerfield next Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard B. Smith of Reading, Pa., were guests at Valley Vista during the last weekend, visiting his mother, Mrs. N. Fay Smith.

Sunday evening the Christian Endeavor meeting at the Congregational church at 6:45 o'clock will be led by Paul Royar assisted by students from Mt. Hermon. All are invited.

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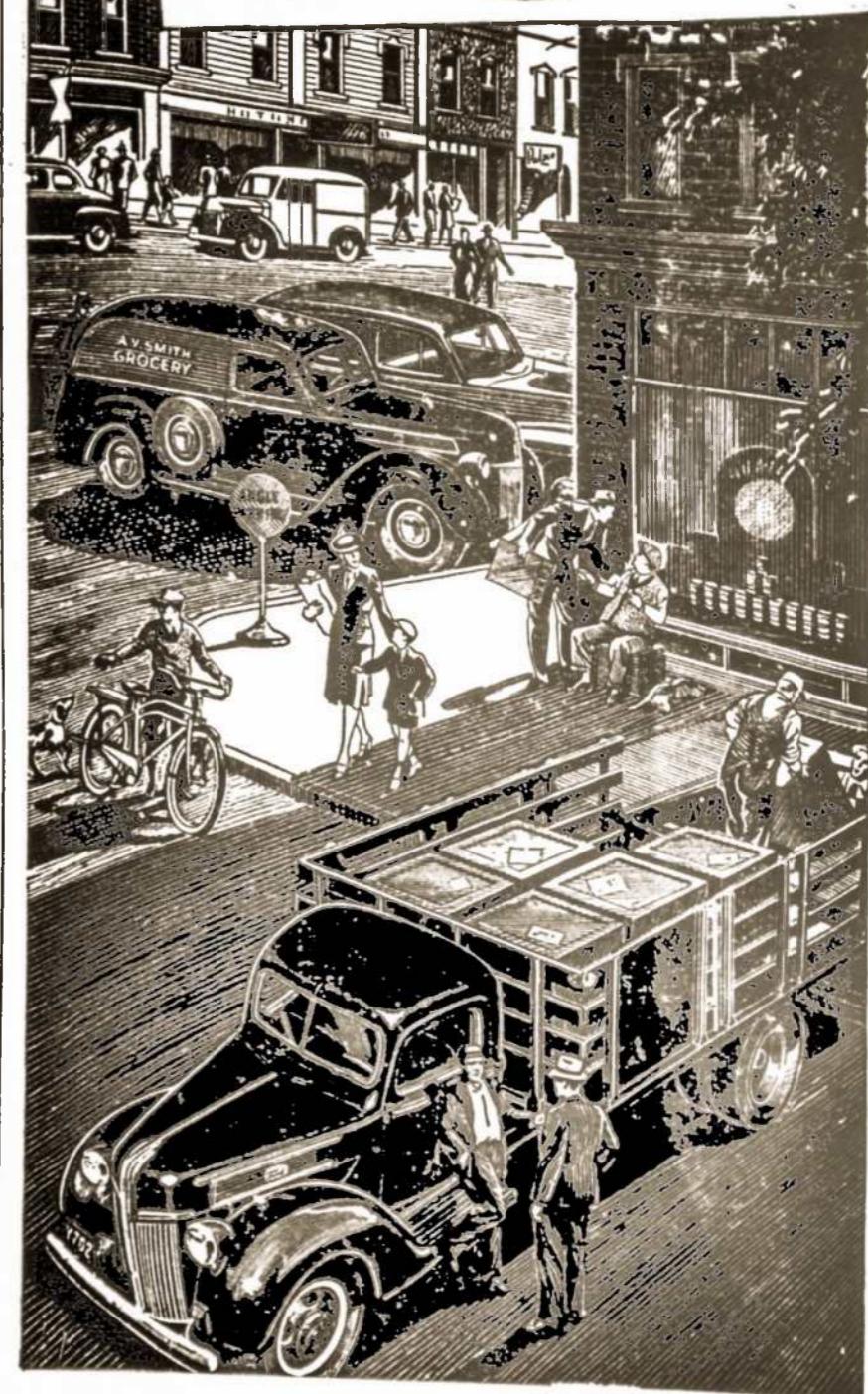
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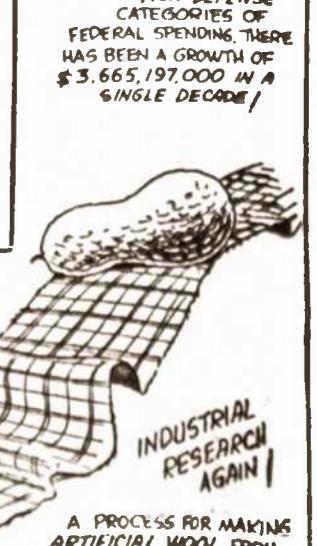
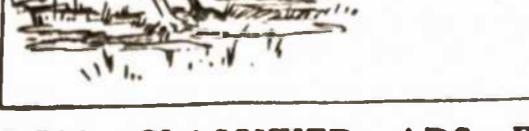
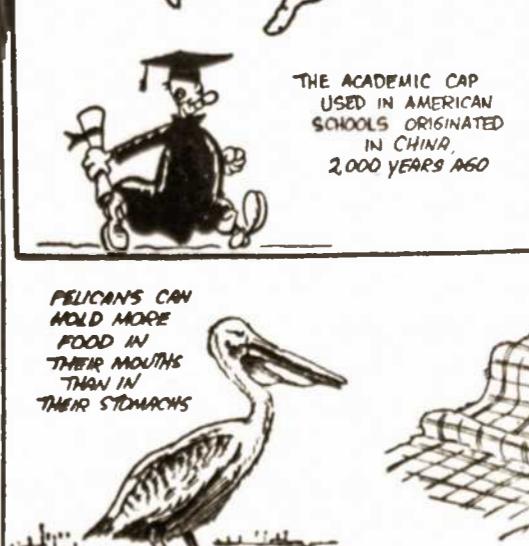
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Friday, April 18, 1941

## EDITORIAL

## LET US CONVOY

With the increase in the loss of British merchantmen, many keen observers are urging that the United States convoy merchant ships safely to the British shores.

Where is the sense, they ask, in spending billions of dollars in producing war materials absolutely essential to the victory of the Allies and our own protection, only to have many of the ships carrying precious freight destroyed in transit by German U-boats, bombs and surface raiders.

With its lurking weapons of the sea and air stationed at strategic points along the west coast of Europe, the Third Reich seems aware of its growing power to destroy British shipping in the areas to the north, south, and west of the British Isles.

Let us do our share in winning the battle of the Atlantic. Convoying will do it.

## OUR G. O. P.

The Republican National Committee staged a harmony session in Washington at which Joseph W. Martin, Massachusetts editor and Congressman, yielded to the pressure that he remain chairman of the committee. On the same day Wendell Willkie was being cheered as a world hero in Toronto, because of his belief that the United States should "give every ship, and more than every ship that is free and unnecessary, give ships until it hurts, keep them going and victory then is sure."

The fact is, Willkie is so many jumps ahead of the old established leadership of his party, that began with Abraham Lincoln as president, that the national committee skipped enumerating its policies. Silence seems to be golden in these days when no one knows for certain whether Willkie will continue to boom as a leader, or blow up. That's a genuine puzzle in Washington political circles today. But the politicians all know that, right or wrong, Willkie is a popular hero at the present time.

## Henry Ford Says:

Thinking is the hardest kind of work—which is probably the reason so few engage in it.

The "recovery" we need most is of our American spirit of independence.

Take all the experience and judgment of men over 50 out of the world and there wouldn't be enough left to run it.

The best thing about obstacles is that they make us prove ourselves. Some of life's keenest satisfaction comes from doing things we thought we couldn't do.

There are no dead ends. There is always a way out. What you learn in one failure, you utilize in your next success.

To put in the hands of all people the means for a freer, broader and more healthful life—I don't know of a better purpose in life than that for anyone.

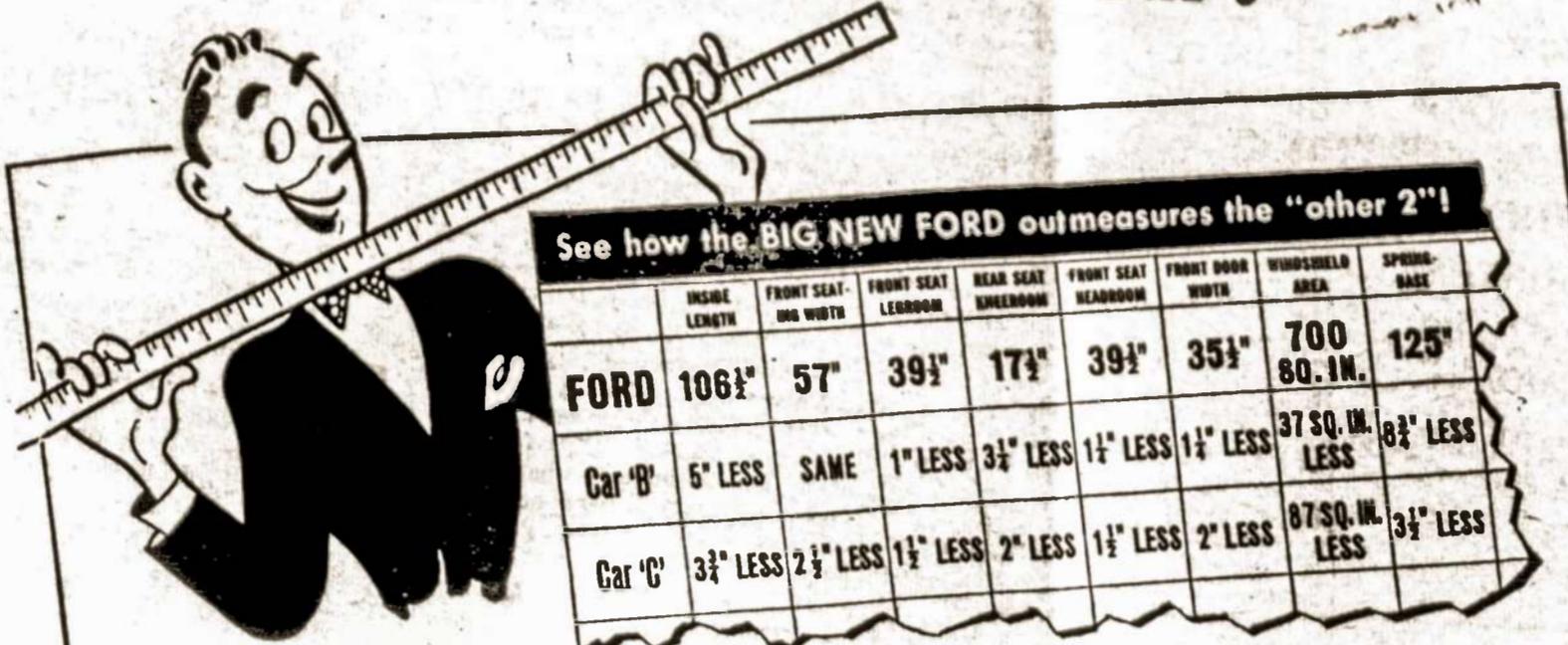
The man who cannot think is not an intelligent man, no matter how many college degrees he may have.

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### Know Massachusetts by State Planning Board

Do you know that safety measures and education apparently  
have been effective in reducing automobile accidents to children in  
Massachusetts. In 1924, with only 683,093 cars registered and  
620,439 licensed drivers, 249 children were killed, while in  
1940, with 1,145,519 cars registered and 1,277,103 licensed drivers  
the child fatalities numbered 89. Decreases occurred in all but  
four of the 15 intervening years.

The first naval action of the  
American Revolution occurred in  
Buzzards Bay... About 70 years ago a French professor, Leopold  
Trouvelot, brought to Medford from France a large number of  
moths for research work. A storm broke open the packing  
case they were in and within 20 years these moths menaced every

tree within an area of 300 miles around Boston... Massachusetts factories during the first two months this year produced 13,713,588 pairs of shoes, an increase of 6.2 per cent over the same period of 1940 and the largest output of any state in the Union. Holyoke started its career as a cotton mill city, but the combination of water power, wood pulp from the Hoosac forests and waste rag of the textile industry made it a great paper center.

Merchandise imports to the Massachusetts customs district in 1940 totaled \$163,518,932, a gain of 12 per cent over 1939. Exports from the district amount to \$28,423,866 a gain of 23 per cent over 1939... Although the earliest settlers found cranberries on Cape Cod, cultivation of them was first developed by a native of Dennis in the 1840's... Prominent planning authorities from Massachusetts will attend the national planning conference in Philadelphia, May 12-14.

### The Family Garden

For centuries the well stocked larder and the well spread table have been considered natural advantages of Massachusetts rural life. A home supply of vegetables, poultry, fruit, and milk can supply a bountiful living for a family all during the year. Right now most families are making plans to plant their vegetable gardens.

They are planning gardens with a wide variety—from asparagus early in May to parsnips the following spring—vegetables enough to can and store for year around abundance. These men and women know that the family with a home garden, with fresh vegetables in abundance, nearly always has a nourishing diet, while the family which must buy its food frequently subsists on a diet which sometimes is poorly balanced or lacking in some of the vital essentials.

The family with its own garden gets its vegetables fresh when they are most appetizing and highest in food value. Vegetables bought in a store hardly approach home grown produce from the standpoint of freshness and taste.

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